

GOLDEN TOWNSHIP  
MARCH 16, 2021  
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING  
MINUTES

Special board meeting of the Golden Township Board was called to order by the Chairman, Carl Fuehring at 10:00 am.

Board members present: Carl Fuehring, Connie Cargill, Rachel Iteen, Bill Kolenda

Board members absent: Gary Beggs

Others present: Rob Draper, Zoning Administrator; Ryan Shiller, Under Sheriff; Mark Timmer, Oceana County Road Commission Manager, 11 guests, and approximately 10 by zoom.

**Agenda:** Motion by Mrs. Cargill, supported by Mrs. Iteen to approve to the agenda the addition of Application for DNR Recreation Grant. All yes, the motion carried.

**2021 Road Projects:** Motion by Mr. Kolenda, supported by Mrs. Cargill to approve the 2021 Road Projects as follows:

Harrison Road	Railroad to 64 <sup>th</sup>	Overlay	\$215,000.00
14 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	4900 Feet	Gravel upgrade	\$42,831.25
Railroad Road	Deer to Harrison	Chip/Fog Seal	\$50,086.00
Deer Road	56 <sup>th</sup> to 34 <sup>th</sup>	Chip/Fog Seal	\$51,734.00
56 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	Polk to Deer	Chip/Fog Seal	\$9,595.00
Fox Road	48 <sup>th</sup> to 34 <sup>th</sup>	Chip/Fog Seal	OCRC
34 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	Deer/Hazel/Roundabout	Chip/Fog Seal	OCRC
Silver Lake Drive	Roundabout to 18 <sup>th</sup> Ave.	Chip/Fog Seal	<u>\$27,825.50</u>
Total			\$397,071.75

Roll call all yes, the motion carried.

**ORV's on Roadways:** Richard Raffaelli spoke to the township board and guests about golf carts and ORV's on the roadways in Golden Township. The townships along Lake Michigan do not allow them at this time, but all the other townships east of US 31 do allow them. Richard said the key issue is the "Economic Alliance". It is reported that these ORV/golf cart trips yield \$105 per trip and those on snowmobiles \$95 per trip. Money spent at the gas stations, restaurants, etc.

Shelby Township enacted and ORV Ordinance and a Golf Cart Resolution a couple years ago. The cost for this in Shelby Township was \$2350.00, but by using Shelby's documents, it would cost around \$800-\$900.

Motion by Mr. Kolenda, supported by Mrs. Iteen to approve sending the ORV/golf carts issue to the planning commission for research. All yes, the motion carried.

**DNR Recreational Grant Application: RESOLUTION NO 2021-6**

At a special meeting of the board of the Township of Golden, County of Oceana, Michigan, held on March 16, 2021, at Golden Township Hall in Mears, MI at 10:00 am.

Present: Carl Fuehring, Connie Cargill, Rachel Iteen, Bill Kolenda

Absent: Gary Beggs

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Kolenda, and supported by Mrs. Iteen:

WHEREAS, The Township of Golden, County of Oceana, Michigan, supports the submission of an application titled, "Walkway" to the Recreation Passport Grant Program for the development of Walkway at Golden Township Park and Silver lake Sand Dunes; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed application is supported by the Community's 5-year Approved Parks and Recreation Plan; and,

WHEREAS, Golden Township is hereby making a financial commitment to the project in the amount of \$6,400.00 matching funds, in cash and/or force account; and,

WHEREAS, if the grant is awarded the applicant commits its local match and donated amounts from the following sources:

Apple BBQ Fest	\$5,000.00
Great Lakes Energy Peoples' Fund	\$5,000.00
Total sum of donations:	\$10,000.00

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that The Golden Township Board of Trustees hereby authorizes submission of a Recreation Passport Grant Program application for \$24,500.00, and further resolves to make available a local match through financial commitment and donation(s) of \$16,400.00 (40%) of a total \$40,900.00 project cost, during the 2021-2022 fiscal year.

Ayes: Kolenda, Iteen, Cargill, Fuehring

Nays: None

Absent: Beggs

The Supervisor declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021.

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Supervisor

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Date

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 am.

Respectfully submitted by,

Rachel Iteen  
Golden Township Clerk